

THE CIMARRON CITIZEN

The Cimarron Valley Has the Land, Climate and Water. Wanted---One Thousand Farmers

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PLANS ARE COMPLETED

School Plans Receive Final Touch---Ready For Bids

The completed plans for the proposed school building to be erected here in Cimarron have been received from Trost & Trost, architects of El Paso, Tex., and the school board are now nearly ready to advertise for bids on the construction of the building.

The plans call for a four room building to be two stories in height. The plans are so arranged that two more rooms can be added to the building whenever the necessity arises, without changing the present arrangement or interfering with the completed building. It is still uncertain whether the building will be of stone or brick, but whether the one or the other, the building will be a great credit to Cimarron, because of its pleasing architecture. Any one wishing to see the plans can call at the office of the Citizen and inspect them.

RECEIVES COMMISSION

"SHORTY" DUQUETTE IS APPOINTED CONSTABLE FOR PRECINCT NUMBER THREE.

"Shorty" Duquette, the daring little thief catcher has received his commission as Constable in and for Precinct No. 3, in which Cimarron is located, and hereafter the straight and narrow path will be the best one to follow. Mr. Duquette had a large number of names of various business men on his application for the position. He has served as Deputy Game Warden, and as special peace officer for some time, and his services have demonstrated that he is thoroughly capable of filling the office to the entire satisfaction of every one concerned--save and except offenders and breakers of law.

TO ENLARGE BUSINESS

J. L. NANCE MAY ENLARGE CONFECTIONARY BUSINESS--LARGE EXPERIENCE.

Mr. J. L. Nance, who is at the present time in the employ of the Cimarron Lumber Co., is thinking seriously of enlarging his confectionary business and going into the wholesale phase of it. Mr. Nance is already operating a small manufacturing business, and his confectionary is of the best quality, but he states that he will enlarge and enter the field of business in a greater scale as soon as conditions develop a little. He has been in the business for the last ten or fifteen years and knows all about how it should be done. No doubt he will make a success in his enterprise, once he has started on the scale he is now contemplating.

FALSE VOUCHER SENTENCED

Denver, May 11.--George Malone was sentenced to sixty days in the county jail this afternoon by Judge Hudson on the charge of swearing falsely at the registration of J. Smith.

CHURCH ITEMS.

Rev. J. Alfred Morgan is back from the Albuquerque District Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church which was held at Texline, closing on the third of May. He reports that the conference was an enormous affair, and that there were more in attendance than there was in entire annual Conference last fall. This gives some indication of the growth the church has made in New Mexico during the last year. So great has this growth been that it will be necessary this fall at the annual Conference to divide up New Mexico into more districts than it now has.

Three hundred and fifty dollars was raised to support a Missionary at Juarez, Mexico, and it was decided that the next meeting of the District Conference will be held at Albuquerque about the same time next year.

The regular services in the Cimarron Methodist church were held last Sunday and the morning address was a masterly comment on the First Psalm, while the address was on "The Atonement."

In order to get an evangelist of note to hold revival meetings here in Cimarron, Rev. Morgan is now in communication with the pastor of the Methodist church at Albuquerque, and it is now settled that some man of note will hold such meetings here about the first of August. It is now the plan to hold meetings in Cimarron for a period of ten or fifteen days and it is hoped that great good will be accomplished.

WILL CHARGE ADMITTANCE

BASEBALL GAMES NO LONGER FREE--CIMARRON FANS TO BE TAXED

In the past, those who wished to see the Cimarron ball games have had the chance of doing so without expense to themselves, but this will be all changed hereafter. It is found that the successful running of a good ball team requires a lot of money, and now that there is a good chance of obtaining a few more good ball players for the team, admission fees will be taken up to help defray the expenses. Tickets to all games will be on sale at the Townsite office, and for the small sum of twenty-five cents. The fans can see something worth while in the future. Cimarron has had a ball team in the past that was the envy of all New Mexico, and if the plans that are now being formed carry through, it will have as good a team as it had last year. That will mean that Yankee and Dawson will have to get up and hurry merely to get a good look in on the games to be played with Cimarron.

The games on the home ground will set the fan back to the tune of twenty-five cents, and if one wishes to sit in the grand stand, an additional fee of thirty-five cents will be charged. Be sure and get tickets before the games hereafter and avoid the rush.

SEMAPHORES ARE INSTALLED

CIMARRON YARDS EQUIPPED WITH NEW SEMAPHORES.

The St. Louis, Rocky Mountain & Pacific Railroad have been making great improvements in its equipment during the last few months, and the latest improvement to affect Cimarron is the installation of a semaphore signal at the depot. A complete semaphore signal system has been installed between here and Raton, and the rest of the line will be furnished with this signal as soon as possible.

Mr. J. M. Avery, of Tucumcari, who was for a long time connected with the Tucumcari News, has been in Cimarron for a number of days looking into business possibilities.

COLFAX COUNTY NEW MEXICO

Boost For Your County---You Have Something to Boost For---Agricultural Lands, Timber, Coal, Minerals, Opportunity

The homeseeker will find that Colfax county, the largest of the northern tier of counties of New Mexico, has more natural advantages than any other locality in the Rocky Mountain country. It is on the southeastern slope of the Rockies, its streams bring the head waters of the Canadian river. Its mountains, some of them 14,000 feet high, contain mines of gold, copper and iron, and forests of pine and other timber. In its foothills covered with evergreen timber, there are 1,000 square miles of clear veins from 5 to 16 feet thick. The coal is of superior quality for domestic fuel, for engines, for gas and coke. The mines of precious metals, the coal mines and the timber districts are being developed and will afford work for thousands of men and a home market for farm, garden and orchard products. Good building stone of sandstone, gravel and limestone in the foothills and cement shales and limestone in the prairie portion of the county, will be the foundation of other important industries.

The Agricultural lands of Colfax county are principally in the valleys and prairies which spread out just below the foothills, although there are several hundred square miles of fine agricultural land in the mountain parks and high mesas. Nine permanent streams fed by springs and snow on the high mountains furnish good water for all purposes. Well in any of the valleys and prairies obtain water at a depth of 15 to 40 feet.

Three railroads traverse the county, the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, the El Paso & Southwestern and the St. Louis, Rocky Mountain & Pacific. The last two connect with the A. T. & S. F. and with the Colorado & Southern, and Rock Island systems. The Cimarron & Northwestern is building from Cimarron into the timber districts. Two other railroads are projected to be built through the county.

The soil, water, climate, seasons, transportation lines and all other conditions in Colfax county, are more favorable than in any other locality in the United States for raising sugar beets and operating sugar factories. The agricultural land has been held in large tracts by the cattlemen, but they are now subdividing it into tracts suitable for farms and a good many small farms have been sold. Prices run from \$15 to \$30 per acre for lands without water rights and from \$40 to \$60 for land with water rights. It is a fine fruit country. Apple trees thirty-five years old have not missed bearing more than twice in thirty years, and the fruit of Col-

fax county has taken first prizes at several international exhibitions. Alfalfa grows luxuriantly and is cut three times each year. There are good markets for it and it is a money making crop.

To illustrate how people have made money buying such land. A man now living in Colfax county, recently sold 80 acres of land near Grand Junction, Colorado, for \$35,000, over \$400 per acre. It is irrigated land and has a fine orchard. Near Roswell, New Mexico, land which a few years ago sold for \$5 per acre is selling for \$600 per acre with water rights and planted in apple trees. Orchard land near Rocky Ford and near Canon City, Colorado, sells for \$300 to \$400 per acre. In the Arkansas Valley and in the valleys near Greeley and Longmont, Colorado, lands which grow sugar beets, potatoes, melons and alfalfa, are selling for \$100 to \$200 per acre. In the Rio Grande Valley in New Mexico, near Las Cruces land is selling at \$100 for unimproved land to \$300 for the best improved land. Not over ten to fifteen years ago any of that now high priced land could have been bought at same price as land is now selling for in Colfax county. The same or greater advance in prices is bound to occur in Colfax county. Its soil is at least as good and its climate, water, scenery, transportation facilities and natural resources are better than any of the places mentioned. It is just the kind of land and in just the location which will make it double and treble in value. It is in every way desirable land which does not have to be cleaned of stumps or sage brush and leveled up before it can be farmed, but is covered with the smooth sod of grama grass, ready for the plow. It is in a climate where people like to come and live.

MAKES A GOOD PLEA

County Fair Needs Help Circular Letter Sent Out

The following circular letter issued by the chairman of the Colfax county Fair Association, Mr. Geo. H. Webster, Jr., has been sent throughout the county, the object being to get every one interested in making the fair of benefit to all. A good exhibit at Springer and Albuquerque will be of great value toward making the visiting thousands understand that the Territory of New Mexico has great resources, and to let the world at large see that because these resources and because of the people to develop them, the Territory is entitled to become a state.

Dear Sir or Madam: What are you doing to help the fair? There has never been a time in the history of Colfax county when such an opportunity has been given each individual citizen to show his just pride in our County and its wonderful resources. The Colfax County Fair Association desires to make the County Fair, which will be held at Springer early in September, a complete success. They desire, also, to send to the Great Exposition to be held at Albuquerque September 29th to October 12th, an exhibit of our County's resources and products which cannot fail to forcibly impress all visitors.

In order that these exhibits may be all you would like to have them--your personal assistance is NECESSARY.

Ample provision is being made for caring for all exhibits at the County Fair and we have already secured the ground for our own County Building at Albuquerque. This building will be a beautiful structure and will contain 1,600 square feet of floor space. The premium lists at both fairs will be large and complete. Many attractive special prizes have been donated by public spirited citizens. You will be given an opportunity to compete for these premiums at both fairs. We especially desire a large exhibit of live stock of all kinds, farm and garden products, fruit and wool.

YOU can help us make a magnificent and convincing exhibit of our agricultural and other possibilities by taking a PERSONAL interest in the work of planting some crop or garden product which you have reason to believe will do well in your locality. The live stock men should also begin at once to prepare their exhibits of cattle, sheep and hogs.

If you will fill out and mail the enclosed card, some officer of the Association will, from time to time during the summer, endeavor to call upon you and to keep you posted on the progress others are making. Premium lists covering every possible product will be sent you as soon as possible. The Association sincerely hopes that you will undertake to do SOMETHING in the way of preparing an exhibit and that you will DO IT NOW.

Very respectfully,
GEO. H. WEBSTER, Jr.,
Chairman.

Attorney A. C. Voorhees, of Raton, was a visitor in Cimarron last Saturday and Sunday morning. Mr. Voorhees is one of the oldest practitioners in the county.

CHANGE IN SCHEDULE

Passenger Time Card Changed--In Effect Last Monday

The time schedule of the Rocky Mountain passenger train out of Cimarron has been changed and the new card went into effect last Monday morning. Hereafter the passenger will leave Cimarron for the east at 9:20 instead of 9:40 and the west bound train will leave Raton for Cimarron at 3:50 instead of 4:00 as formerly.

Up to the present time, the outgoing mail was closed at 9:00 o'clock in Cimarron, but owing to the new schedule, it will be necessary to close the mail hereafter, in order to get it in the pouches on time to get it to the train.

WILL START BUILDING SOON

The Cimarron Mercantile Co. will soon start their new store building on the corner of 9th street and Euclid avenue. Mr. F. W. Brooks states that it is his intention to begin the work of construction within a few days, an effort that the building will be rushed through to completion as fast as possible.

TAFT ENDS TROUBLES AT PANAMA, RETURNING

Washington, May 11.--Secretary Taft will sail from Panama for the United States Tuesday. The troubles he went to Panama to settle are to be adjusted soon. The boundary dispute between Panama and Columbia will be settled by arbitration. Among the conferees is President Squires of Columbia and Nelson J. Cromwell.

W. O. W. LOG ROLLING.

Pueblo, Colo., May 11.--The most successful log rolling ever given in the state was held here today by the Woodmen of the World of this city, when 365 new members were initiated. An illuminated parade was a feature of the occasion and delegates from all over the state were present. Trinidad was represented by a large delegation.

HICKMAN TO UTE PARK

Transferred To Ute Wm. Marrow Takes His Place

Another change has been made in the office force at the station of the St. L., R. M. & P. here in Cimarron. Wm. Hickman, who has been acting as assistant agent and operator here in Cimarron for the last few weeks, has been promoted and has been given the station at Ute Park, now being agent there. Mr. Hickman does not contemplate moving his home to Ute Park at the present time, and possibly not at all, because the distance is so small between Cimarron and Ute Park that he can easily run down when off duty.

Wm. Marrow of Raton has been transferred to Cimarron to take the place made vacant by the transfer of Mr. Hickman, and he is now acting in the capacity of cashier. Mr. Marrow has had quite a little experience as a railroad man, and is an extremely pleasant obliging man to do business with.